## CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

concerning

ADOPTION OF A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER FOR THE
SIERRA NEVADA CHEESE COMPANY, INC.
AND
GREGERSEN PROPERTIES LLC
CHEESE PRODUCTION FACILITY
GLENN COUNTY

On 4 May 2007, the Central Valley Water Board adopted Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R5-2007-0043 (WDRs) for Sierra Nevada Cheese Company and Gregersen Properties LLC (collectively hereafter Discharger). The Discharger owns and operates a cheese factory located at 6505 County Road 39 in Willows, Glenn County (Facility). The WDRs regulate the discharge of wastewater to land for disposal.

The Central Valley Water Board has scheduled a public hearing to consider adoption of a Cease and Desist Order (CDO) for this Facility at its 1/2 October 2015 board meeting. The CDO provides a timeline to address freeboard monitoring, deficient dissolved oxygen concentrations, odor reduction, groundwater monitoring and requires full compliance with WDR Order No. R5-2007-0043.

The scheduled public hearing will be conducted during the October 2015 Central Valley Water Board meeting, which is scheduled as follows:

DATE:

1/2 October 2015

TIME:

8:30 am

PLACE:

Redding City Hall 777 Cypress Avenue Redding, CA 96001

The designated parties for this hearing are as follows:

Sierra Nevada Cheese Company

<u>Designated parties</u> but not interested persons will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. Central Valley Water Board staff will prepare the administrative record, and may present evidence, make an oral presentation and cross-examine opposing witnesses.

<u>Interested persons</u> may not cross examine witnesses, and will not be subject to cross examination. Interested persons may submit evidence (e.g., photographs, eye-witness testimony, monitoring data) if the evidence is submitted in accordance with the deadlines for submitting evidence described below. Interested persons who present evidence may be

subject to cross-examination. Interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 pm on 22 August 2015**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is affected by the discharge.

The notification for the tentative Cease and Desist Order was issued on 22 July 2015. Persons wishing to comment on this item must submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 22 August 2015**. Written materials submitted after this date and time will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice any party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair. Both designated parties and interested persons may be asked to respond to clarifying questions from Board members, counsel staff or others, at the discretion of the Board.

Anyone having questions on the tentative documents should contact Rebecca Tabor at (530) 226-3458, or rebecca.tabor@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested parties may download the proposed Order and related documents from the Central Valley Water Board's Internet website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_decisions/tentative\_orders/

Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 205, Redding, CA 96002 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The final meeting agenda will be available at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board\_info/agendas/

at least ten days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the dates the Board meeting will be held, indicate the anticipated order of agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order(s).

The procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, § 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code § 11500 et seq. The procedures may be obtained by accessing

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws regulations/

Information on meeting and hearing procedures is also available on the Board's website at

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board\_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml

or by contacting any one of the Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

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Assistant Executive Officer

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